I. CITY CLERK

II. MAYOR
1. NEWS ADVISORY. Mayor Beutler and Public Works and Utilities officials will release results of the City’s 2010 Crash Study at a news conference Tuesday, July 10th, 10:00 a.m., at 555 S. 10th Street.
2. NEWS RELEASE. “O” Street, South Street to reopen.
3. NEWS RELEASE. Vehicle crashes decline as City grows.
4. NEWS RELEASE. Mayor calls for voluntary water conservation.
5. NEWS RELEASE. Public invited to open house on roundabouts. 14th and Superior roundabout to open to one-lane traffic Monday.

III. DIRECTORS

HEALTH DEPARTMENT
1. Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department meeting minutes of June 12, 2012.

PLANNING COMMISSION

PLANNING DEPARTMENT
1. Administrative Amendment No. 12032 approved by the Planning Director on July 9, 2012.

IV. COUNCIL MEMBERS

DOUG EMERY
1. Councilman Emery’s reply to Roxann Hamilton on different fees the City is proposing.

V. MISCELLANEOUS

VI. CORRESPONDENCE FROM CITIZENS
1. Pepe Fierro. Correspondence from the League of American Bicyclist. A well developed proected bike lane will stimulate the businesses which it is put in.
2. Tom Lynch. Support the protected bike lanes as part of the Downtown Master Plan.
3. Michaella Kumke in support of bike safety and protected bike lanes.
4. Walter Canney InterLinc correspondence, and article on differences with a Wal-Mart being built in their neighborhoods.
5. Wayne Smith. Eliminate the position of Director of Sustainability, a low priority position, from the budget.
6. Letter from Jane Morris, Morris Excavating Company, Inc., regarding their $200.00 reimbursement claim. (Delivered to City Council, City Clerk, and City Attorney)
7. Shawn Manion agreeing with cutting two police officers from the budget.

VII. ADJOURNMENT
DATE: July 9, 2012
FOR MORE INFORMATION: David Norris, Citizen Information Center, 402-441-7547

Mayor Chris Beutler and Public Works and Utilities officials will release the results of the City’s 2010 Crash Study at a news conference at 10 a.m. Tuesday, July 10 in the Mayor’s Conference Room, County-City Building, 555 S. 10th St.

Public Works officials will also provide an update on two major City street construction projects.
PUBLIC WORKS AND UTILITIES DEPARTMENT
Engineering Services, 901 West Bond St., Lincoln, NE 68521, 402-441-7711

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: July 10, 2012
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Kris Humphrey, Engineering Services, 402-441-7711

“O” STREET, SOUTH STREET TO REOPEN

Public Works officials today announced that “O” Street and South Street will reopen to traffic today.

“O” Street has been closed from 17th to 21st Street and will reopen to traffic ahead of the number of days allowed per the contract. Antelope Valley Parkway will continue to have lane closures while construction is completed from “K” to “P” streets. The Parkway will remain closed to through traffic from “N” to “O” streets and also from “O” and “P” streets until construction is substantially completed by Hawkins Construction Company. Substantial completion of the entire project is scheduled for late August. The “O” Street project is the last segment of Antelope Valley Parkway to be constructed.

South Street has been closed from 36th to 38th Street for construction on one of the last segments of the Antelope Valley Project. Although South Street will be open to through traffic, there will be single-lane closures to complete construction of sidewalks, fences, walls, channel walls and other construction items. These single-lane closures will not affect morning and evening rush hour commutes. In addition, 37th Street immediately south of South Street will remain closed into August until channel work is completed.

More information on these projects is available at lincoln.ne.gov (keyword: antelope).

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OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
555 South 10th Street, Lincoln, NE 68508, 402-441-7511

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: July 10, 2012
FOR MORE INFORMATION: David Norris, Citizen Information Center, 402-441-7547
Miki Esposito, Public Works and Utilities, 402-441-7566
Randy Hoskins, Engineering Services, 402-450-1216

VEHICLE CRASHES DECLINE AS CITY GROWS

Mayor Chris Beutler today announced that the number of vehicle crashes in the City has decreased despite increases in the City’s size and number of registered vehicles. The City’s 2010 Crash Study shows that 7,710 crashes were reported in Lincoln compared to 7,738 reported in 2009. Beutler said the City’s Transportation Safety Improvement Program that began in 1979 has been successful by focusing on the “three Es” – engineering, enforcement and education.

“The improvements have been very effective in the overall downward trend in traffic crashes, and it’s important to maintain this transportation program,” Beutler said. “Our Taking Charge budget process continues to rank safety and security as our top priority, and reducing traffic crashes is an important element. As our community grows, we will continue to emphasize the importance of roadway safety.”

Beutler also thanked drivers, pedestrians and bicyclists for their attention to safety. He announced that Allstate Insurance ranked Lincoln third in the nation in the 2011 America’s Best Drivers report, an improvement over the City’s number-nine ranking a year ago. Based on the Allstate averages over the past seven years, Lincoln is ranked #1 among cities its size.

The report lists 68 intersections of the 1,290 studied as high-crash locations. The intersection of 14th and Superior Streets has the highest crash rate of all the intersections with traffic signals. (The crash rate is determined both by the number of crashes and their severity.) A multi-lane roundabout is now under construction at the intersection, and Mayor Beutler commended the Public Works and Utilities Department for its pro-active approach to improve high-crash intersections.

Miki Esposito, Public Works and Utilities Director, said the Crash Study will help officials decide when to aggressively compete for Federal Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) funds and where to effectively use the limited local resources. She said that since 2001, staff has successfully competed for and received about $9 million in HSIP funds to supplement local street construction dollars for safety projects.

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HSIP funds were recently used for the intersection improvements at 56th and Elkcrest and for the pedestrian countdown signals installed citywide. Other upcoming HSIP-funded projects include the I-180 east ramp at Superior; S. Coddington at W. Van Dorn; N. 14th at Cornhusker; and N. 66th at Fremont.

Other results from the 2012 Crash Report include the following:

• The total monetary loss to the public from traffic crashes in 2010 is estimated at $251 million.

• The number of bicycle crashes (140) rose slightly in 2010, while the number of pedestrian crashes (72) dropped. Both have showed a downward trend over the last two decades.

• Statistics show drivers the greatest risk for a crash is a rear-end collision during a Friday afternoon rush hour in January.

• Average numbers of crashes for four types of intersections:
  • Intersection of two arterial streets with a traffic signal - 10.2 crashes
  • Intersection of two arterial streets with a stop sign - 3.9 crashes
  • Intersection of two local streets with no control - 1.2 crashes
  • Intersection of two local streets with stop sign control – 1.3 (higher than no control)

• Most common type of crashes:
  • Rear end - 30 percent
  • Right angle - 18 percent
  • Parking - 15 percent

The 2010 Crash Report is available at lincoln.ne.gov (keyword: crash).
MAYOR CALLS FOR VOLUNTARY WATER CONSERVATION

Mayor Chris Beutler today encouraged Lincoln residents to voluntarily conserve outdoor water for the remainder of the summer by following the designated day schedule for outdoor watering.

“From a precipitation standpoint, we are about two inches below normal for the year,” said Mayor Beutler. “However, the hot weather and lack of rainfall in Lincoln and most of Nebraska over the last few weeks has resulted in Platte River flows dropping to record lows. Temperatures are predicted to be in the 90s for the next week with no rain in sight. The aquifer is 71 percent full, and the river flow is one-fifth of normal. At the same time, we need to remember that conditions in other parts of the State are impacting our water supply. Many areas in Nebraska are in severe drought.”

Because summer weather is unpredictable and conditions are worsening, Beutler said it’s important to implement the voluntary designated day outdoor watering schedule in the City’s Water Management Plan.

- Properties with street addresses ending in even numbers, including zero, are asked to voluntarily limit outdoor water use (watering lawns and washing vehicles) to Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays.
- Properties with addresses ending in odd numbers are asked to voluntarily limit outdoor watering to Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.
- Those property owners with more than one street address at the same location can choose either daily schedule and notify the Lincoln Water System (LWS) of their decision.
- Those with automatic lawn irrigation systems are encouraged to set them to follow the designated watering days system.

Jerry Obrist, LWS Utilities Coordinator, said the use of designated days helps to level the daily usage of water throughout the week. He also said the City’s water fees are structured to encourage conservation. The more water you use, the higher the rate. The price is $1.34 per unit for the first eight units (about 6,000 gallons). The price increases to $1.91 per unit for the next 15 units (11,250 gallons). It increases again to $2.96 per unit for every 750 gallons above 15 units.
A complete description of water rates and the City’s Water Management Plan can be found at lincoln.ne.gov (keyword: water).

In addition to following the designated day system, the Mayor’s Water Conservation Task Force recommends that citizens:
• water during the cool part of the day;
• install a rain sensor device on automatic sprinklers;
• not water when it is windy;
• adjust sprinklers to water only the lawn, and not the sidewalk or street;
• use a broom, not a hose and water, for outdoor cleaning; and
• wash your car with a pail of soapy water, using the hose only to rinse the car.

More information on water conservation is available at lincoln.ne.gov (keyword: conservation).
PUBLIC INVITED TO OPEN HOUSE ON ROUNDABOUTS
14th and Superior roundabout to open to one-lane traffic Monday

In an effort to educate motorists on the proper use of roundabouts, City Public Works and Utilities staff will host an open house from 5 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, July 17 at Campbell Elementary School, 2200 Dodge St.

The open house will focus on multi-lane roundabouts. A multi-lane roundabout at 14th and Superior streets is scheduled for completion in August. On Monday, it will be opened to one lane of traffic. However, construction will continue on portions of the new roundabout until it opens completely in August.

The City of Lincoln currently has three new roundabouts under construction: 14th and Superior, 14th and Alvo Road and 1st and Adams. Over the past five years, roundabouts have been installed at 98th and Pine Lake, 98th and Old Cheney, Amaranth and S.W. 4th St., West Alvo and Tallgrass Parkway, West Alvo and Stonebrook Parkway, and dual roundabouts at 9th and Salt Creek Roadway near Memorial Stadium.

More information on roundabouts can be found at lincoln.ne.gov (keyword: roundabouts).
LINCOLN-LANCASTER COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Board of Health
June 12, 2012

I. ROLL CALL

The meeting of the Board of Health was called to order at 5:04 PM by Karla Lester at the Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department. Members present: Doug Emery, Jacquelyn Miller, Lisa Peterson, Ed Schneider, Brent Smoyer, Heidi Stark, Marcia White, Brittany Behrens (ex-officio), Trish Owen (ex-officio) Tim Sieh (ex-officio) and Karla Lester.

Members Absent: David Smith.

Staff Present: Judy Halstead, Steve Frederick, Charlotte Burke, Steve Beal, Kathy Cook, Andrea Mason, Gwendy Meginnis, Brian Baker, Scott Holmes, Joyce Jensen, and Elaine Severe.

Others Present: Lynn Johnson, Pat Borer.

Board of Health members and staff introduced themselves to Marcia White. Ms. White is a new member of the Board of Health.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Dr. Lester asked if there were any additions or corrections to the Agenda.

Motion: Moved by Mr. Smoyer that the Agenda be approved as mailed. Second by Dr. Peterson. Motion carried by acclamation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dr. Lester asked if there were any additions or corrections to the Minutes.

Motion: Moved by Dr. Stark that the May 8, 2012 Minutes be approved as mailed. Second by Dr. Peterson. Motion carried by acclamation.

PUBLIC SESSION

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

A. Health Director Update

Ms. Halstead stated Mayor Beutler will release his budget on July 9, 2012. The budget will be reviewed by the City County Common. The City Council will hold a public hearing on the budget August 6, 2012 with final adoption scheduled for August 20, 2012. Ms. Halstead will review the budget at the July 10, 2012 meeting.
Ms. Halstead stated the Community Health Endowment continues to work to assure medical services for the uninsured through the Peoples’ Health Center and through private providers secured by the Lancaster County Medical Society. Recommendations will be presented in July.

Ms. Halstead continues to meet with the local health directors as they are preparing a statewide health initiative to assure the Health Care Cash Fund continues.

Animal Control continues to respond to an increased number of calls regarding bats. Mr. Beal stated the increase in the number of calls could be from the warmer weather, increase in the number of moths, etc. Five (5) bats have tested positive for rabies.

VI. CURRENT BUSINESS (Action Items)

A. Election of Officers

Dr. Lester stated Nominations for officers for the coming year are: Karla Lester, MD, President and Heidi Stark, DDS, Vice-President.

Motion: Moved by Dr. Schneider that the Board of Health elect Karla Lester, MD as President and Heidi Stark, DDS as Vice-President for 2012-2013. Second by Dr. Peterson. Motion carried by an 8-0 roll call vote.

B. Board of Health/Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Sub-Committee Recommendation on Tobacco Use in City Parks

Ms. Halstead introduced Mr. Johnson - Parks & Recreation Director. A Sub-Committee of the Board of Heath and Parks & Recreation Advisory Board conducted a community on-line survey to assess support restricting smoking/tobacco use at outdoor City-owned Parks & Recreation properties. 2,500+ responses were received with 56.8% in favor of restricting tobacco use on City-owned Parks & Recreation property. Mr. Johnson stated the Lincoln Municipal Code allows rules and regulations to be adopted by Executive Order of the Mayor. If approved the policy would be self-policing and no enforcement/fines could be levied. The Board of Health recommendation will be presented to the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board on June 14th as a Parks & Recreation policy and they will review and/or approve the policy. He thanked the Board of Health members for their input and assistance in working with the Park & Recreation Advisory Board members.

Dr. Peterson & Dr. Miller presented the Sub-Committee’s recommendations. The Sub-Committee is recommending all Parks & Recreation facilities/parks be tobacco free except for 18 hole golf courses. The Sub-Committee believed the recommendations address the safety of children in areas where children go and play. Mr. Johnson stated staff are recommending all facilities/parks be tobacco free
except dog runs, open green spaces, trails, 18 hole golf courses and designated smoking areas at Pinewood Bowl. Dr. Schneider disagreed with allowing smoking in designated areas at Pinewood Bowl. He stated the Board of Health’s interest is protecting the public’s health. Dr. Stark stated the recommendations are a great start in creating a culture change. Mr. Smoyer said we should not have to legislate common sense, sometimes we are overreaching, government is overreaching and we can go too far. Ms. Halstead and Mr. Johnson stated the staff recommendations are based on what they believe is workable and we should start in increments. Suggested signage could include slogans such as “Play Tobacco Free”.

Motion #1: Moved by Dr. Schneider to approve the Sub-Committee recommendation and forward the recommendation to the Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee. Second by Dr. Peterson. Motion failed on a 4-4 roll call vote.

Motion #2: Moved by Dr. Miller to approve the Staff Recommendations regarding tobacco use in City facilities/parks. Second by Mr. Emery.

Motion to Amend Motion #2: Moved by Dr. Schneider to amend Dr. Miller’s motion to approve the staff recommendations with the exception of #7 (The fenced area of Pinewood Bowl, with the exception of a designated smoking area way from the amphitheater seating area for use during concerns and performances where the primary anticipated audience is adults). Second by Dr. Miller. Motion failed on a 4-4 roll call vote.

Motion #2: Motion carried on an 8-0 roll call vote.

Mr. Emery stated the recommendations are a start and a reasonable compromise and thanked staff for their good work. Mr. Johnson expressed his thanks and appreciation to Dr. Miller & Dr. Peterson for their work with the Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee.

II. CURRENT BUSINESS (Information Items)

A. Ten Essential Services For Public Health - Essential Service #4 - Mobilize Community Partnerships to Identify and Solve Health Problems

Mr. Frederick provided a presentation on Essential Service #4 - Mobilize Community Partnerships to Identify and Solve Health Problems. Information was provided on engaging people and organizations in health issues, identifying potential stakeholders who contribute to or benefit from public health, working with coalitions, convening and facilitating partnerships among groups and associations in health improvement activities, the CDC’s Public Health System Diagram, and the MAPP process.
Staff will provide a presentation on Essential Service #5 - Develop policies and plans that support individual and community health efforts.

**B. Responsible Beverage Server Training Update**

Mr. Holmes provided an update on the Responsible Beverage Server Training ordinance that was approved by the Lincoln City Council. He stated staff continue to move forward with designing the training, sub-committee assignments, etc. Staff anticipate having the training sessions available by October, 2012 with full implementation planned for April, 2013. Mr. Emery expressed his appreciation to staff for their good work on preparing the ordinance.

**C. Easycpr.org Update**

Lincoln Fire & Rescue Assistant Chief Pat Borer provided a presentation on the Easycpr.org program. The Community Health Endowment provides grant funding to Lincoln Fire & Rescue for the program. He stated the hands only CPR program has been shown to be as effective as regular CPR. Hands only CPR allows CPR to begin prior to Lincoln Fire and Rescue’s arrival at the scene. Asst. Chief Borer stated the earlier CPR is started, the better the survival rate with outcomes doubled or tripled. Alex McKiernan has been hired as the .5 FTE Coordinator for the program. Staff are working on advertising, designing a website, and will begin working with the schools in the fall. Lincoln Fire & Rescue partners on the project include the Community Health Endowment, Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department, Saint Elizabeth Regional Medical Center, Nebraska Safety Council, Lincoln Public Schools, Nebraska Heart Institute & Heart Hospital, American Heart Association and the Lancaster County Medical Society.

**VIII. FUTURE BUSINESS**

**IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The next regular meeting is July 10, 2012 - 5:00 PM.

**X. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:28 PM.

Elaine Severe  
Recording Secretary

Heidi Stark  
Vice-President
JUNE, 2012
DEPARTMENT REPORT

HEALTH DIRECTOR

- The Mayor will release his proposed budget to the public on July 9, 2012. The proposal will be reviewed by the City County Common on July 10, 2012. The Health Director will provide a presentation on the Health Department’s Budget at the July 10, 2012 Board of Health meeting.

- The Parks & Recreation Advisory Board approved the recommendation on tobacco use in City owned Parks Recreation properties on June 14, 2012. The recommendation was approved by the Board of Health on June 12, 2012. The recommendation was sent to the Mayor for approval as an Executive Order.

- The Health Director continues to meet with the local health directors and the Friends of Public Health. A strategic planning session was held on June 7, 2012.

- The Health Director continues to meet with the Community Health Endowment, People’s Health Center, Lincoln Medical Education Partnership and the Lancaster County Medical Society regarding health services for the uninsured.

- The Health Director serves on the Community Health Endowment Funding Committee. Recommendations for funding for the coming year were presented to the Endowment Board of Trustees on June 27, 2012.

- The Health Director serves on the Community Mental Health Center Invitation to Negotiate Committee recommending the process for transitioning behavioral health services from the Community Mental Health Center to community providers.

- The Health Director and several staff members attended the Community Health Endowment’s Annual Meeting.

- The Department will participate in the County/City Food Drive for the Food Bank of Lincoln. The Drive will be held July 9-20, 2012. The Administrative Aide will serve as the City-wide Coordinator for the Food Drive.

ANIMAL CONTROL

Animal Control Stats

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- Animal Control continues to see a decrease in the number of dogs and cats being impounded at the Capital Humane Society. The feral cat management program with The Cat House has been one factor in less cats being trapped by Animal Control and taken to the shelter. Animal Control has been more proactive about identifying and returning lost and stray dogs so that they don’t end up at the shelter.

- The Animal Control, Information & Fiscal Management and Health Data and Evaluation staff are working to complete GIS mapping on the approximately 22,000+ dispatch calls that Animal Control Officers respond to annually. The purpose of the mapping and data evaluation is to determine how to maximize the use of officer time and how they are dispatched to cover the city limits.

- Calls to Animal Control from the general public and all other sources are increasing monthly. There were 34,984 calls to Animal Control between September 2011 through May 2012 (nine months), compared to 32,929 calls for the same time period the previous year.

- Animal Control Staff are looking at data that involves the pick-up of dead wildlife. There is a particular focus on picking up dead squirrels, rabbits and birds and what that service
costs the city. There may be more economical ways of disposing of some dead wildlife. Dead animal pickups are increasing significantly each year. It is important that we are able to direct the resources we have to highest priority work.

COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES

Certified Lactation Counselor Training

- MCH Services hosted a second Certified Lactation Counselor training June 11-15, 2012. Training was provided by the Healthy Children’s Center for Breastfeeding. Certified Lactation Counselors work to increase breastfeeding rates in their community, advocate for societal change in attitudes and behavior regarding breastfeeding, teach breastfeeding classes, and assist mothers in successfully breastfeeding exclusively and for longer durations. Twenty four participants attended the training from Nebraska, North Dakota, Kansas, Colorado, and Alaska. Because, LLCHD hosted the training, three free registrations for LLCHD WIC and MCH staff were provided. The trainers commended LLCHD multiple times about the fantastic training facility and accommodations and strongly encouraged LLCHD to consider hosting a yearly training.

General Assistance Medical Clinic

- In late May, Kathy Hoebelheinrich APRN, CDE was hired part-time to manage General Assistance (GA) clients with diabetes. Kathy's scope of practice includes the ability to prescribe and manage medications. She has over 14 years of experience as an APRN and is also working with clients seeking diabetes care management at BryanLGH’s LifePointe Diabetes Center and People’s Health Center.

- The Public Health Clinic Supervisor, the Quality Improvement Coordinator, GA Nurse Case Managers, and IFM are developing Crystal Reports lists of clients for targeted case management. Clients will be listed on one of 4 reports; diabetes, stage I or II hypertension, prescribed narcotics/pain contract, and two or more emergency room visits within the last 6 months. Kathy Hoebelheinrich will case manage clients with diabetes and GA Nurse Case Managers will manage clients with hypertension, pain contracts and recent emergency room use.

- The new LPN position in GA Medical Clinic will help to restructure GA nurse case management from occurring during medical clinic visits to more proactive work that can be accomplished in-between medical clinic visits. Jesica Cunningham, LPN, has been an asset to the GA Medical Clinic since she started the position approximately six months ago. She will be taking on more responsibilities in GA Medical Clinic.

- The CHS Customer Relations Supervisor, the Public Health Clinic Supervisor, and GA
Nurse Case Managers worked together to identify specific office support that is needed in the GA Medical Clinic; coding, billing, making specialty appointments, and scanning of consultations, inpatient, emergency room, and urgent care visits. If approved, a Medical Assistant position will be pursued to meet the identified needs.

DENTAL HEALTH & NUTRITION

WIC
- Why no white potatoes on WIC?

WIC is a public health program committed to advancing the nutrition status and health of mothers and children and to promoting and encouraging breastfeeding. WIC’s focus on nutrition and health makes it unique from other food programs. In 1974 Congress delegated WIC food packages selection to experts in the field of nutritional science and medicine. As a result WIC clients can only purchase healthy foods with their WIC checks, but not all healthy foods. Why are some healthy foods excluded? Again the decision is based in nutrition science.

In the 38 years since the WIC program began, Congress has never interfered with selecting which foods the WIC program should provide. In an effort that took over seven years to complete, USDA undertook a rigorous, science-based process to evaluate what changes should be made to the WIC food packages with the help of the Institute of Medicine (IOM). Among the IOM’s 2005 recommendations to USDA was to provide vouchers that would enable WIC participants to purchase a variety of fruits and vegetables. The IOM did not include white potatoes as one of the vegetables that WIC participants could purchase through the program because white potatoes are the most widely consumed vegetable and WIC participants already consume them in recommended amounts. WIC participants' diets do not need to be supplemented with additional potatoes. USDA’s interim final regulations, published in December 2007, closely adhere to the IOM recommendations and are strongly supported by nutrition and health experts.

Dental Health
- During the month of May, the Dental Clinic provided 540 patients with 852 patient visits. Of the patients served: 53% were children; 54% were of racial and ethnic minorities; 47% were enrolled in Medicaid; 4% were enrolled in General Assistance; 12% were uninsured, falling in the range of 100%-200% of poverty, receiving services on a sliding fee scale; and 37% were uninsured; falling at or below 100%, receiving services at a minimal fee for service.

- Outreach activities included transporting 13 children for 34 dental visits from Holmes, Everett, and Clinton Elementary Schools. These children were identified through the
school based dental screening program in need of urgent dental care but, through their school nurses, were identified as unable to access dental homes for treatment needs. In addition, dental staff provided 33 children at the Early Head Start Development Center with fluoride varnish applications as a part of a State Oral Health Children’s Program made available through grant funds. Eighty (80) older adults at the Asian Center received educational information connecting oral health to overall health and well being with referral information for those in need of a dental home.

ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH

Pollen

- Thousands of Lancaster County residents are allergic to pollens, which are released by plants into the air and can be carried on the wind for many miles. People with pollen allergies may suffer from symptoms including allergic rhinitis (commonly known as “hay fever”), coughing, sneezing, runny nose, and watering eyes. The most common sources of pollen are grasses, weeds, and trees. Each has a different seasonal peak, with tree pollen peaking in early May, grasses in June and weeds in August. Local pollen counts can be found by visiting the Nebraska Wesleyan University website, www.nebrwesleyan.edu and typing “Pollen” into the search box. Pollen counts for both local and national areas can be found at the American Academy of Allergy, Asthma, and Immunology website, www.aaaai.org.

High Particulate Air Pollution Expected on and around July 4th

- While fireworks bring enjoyment to many, one unintended consequence is the increase in fine particulate air pollution. Fine particulate matter is so small that it can get deep into the lungs, enter the blood stream, and cause serious health problems. Exposure to high levels of particulate, even for a few hours, can aggravate lung disease, cause asthma attacks and acute bronchitis, and cause angina, heart attacks, and arrhythmias.

- LLCHD continuously monitors our air for fine particulate matter, commonly referred to as PM 2.5. In recent years, LLCHD has issued Health Advisories prior to July 4th, warning of the anticipated increased levels of fine particulate pollution associated with the extensive use of fireworks. The graph below displays the fine particulate levels measured in Lincoln for July 3rd through July 5th for a typical year. Relative to the Air Quality Index (AQI), these levels are “Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups” when averaged over 24 hours.
Property Transfers

- City and County code require the inspection of individual on-site wastewater systems and wells prior to the sale of property. The inspections are conducted by private businesses that are trained and permitted by the Health Department. Water staff review the inspection reports and issue an approval or denial. A “Denial” does not stop the sale of the property, but informs the seller and buyer of what conditions may be present. When conditions present a risk to public health or the environment, staff follow up to assure corrections are made.

- Since 2006, 897 property transfer reviews have been completed. Of this total, 392 or 43.7% received initial denials based on the conditions found at the time of inspection. Of these, conditions were corrected at 259 properties. Since the inception of the program at least 84 failed systems have been either repaired or replaced. In addition, excessive sludge buildup was identified in 36 septic tanks, which were then pumped. As designed, the program does not prohibit transfer even if a denial was issued. Thus 133 of the 379 properties (35%) were still transferred despite LLCHD denial. In most situations, the seller has accepted the conditions which caused the denial such as the water supply with a high Nitrate (>10ppm) or a windbreak within 50 feet of a lagoon that is not a substantial environmental violation. LLCHD assures that any conditions which present significant risk to public health or the environment are corrected.
HEALTH DATA & EVALUATION

- The MAPP/CHIP committees have all met at least once. The Access to Care Committee will be having their third meeting on June 26th and the Chronic Disease Prevention and the Behavioral Committees will have their second meetings on June 28th, with the Injury Prevention Committee scheduled to have their second meeting in early July. There’s still time to join a committee so if you, or someone you know, might be interested in joining a committee please contact Steve Frederick (sfrederick@lincoln.ne.gov or call 402-441-6271). There’s a LLCHD senior staff person responsible for each subcommittee or each topic area who will be in touch.

- On Saturday, June 9th there was a functional exercise to set up the 20-bed portable hospital purchased several years ago by the Southeast Nebraska Medical Response System (SEMRS). Players included the Southeast Nebraska Medical Reserve Corps (MRC), the Amateur Radio Club (ham radio operators who are part of the Amateur Emergency Radio System), local emergency managers, volunteer fire fighters, as well as representatives from both Lincoln hospitals and other hospitals in the region. Our thanks is extended to all those who made this a successful exercise. However, as with almost all exercises, several issues and possible improvements were documented in an After Action Report/ Improvement Plan (AAR/IP).

- The total of bats confirmed with rabies has increased from four to five. Individuals who may have been in contact have been advised of their options and their medical provider will determine whether prophylaxis shots are needed.

- With the summer months now well underway and with the record warmth and with heat spells expected it is time to warn about heat-related emergencies (heat kills more people than any other natural cause) as well food- and water-borne illness. So far, we are not seeing an abnormally high number of communicable diseases that often peak in summer months, but it’s early. Proper food preparation and hand hygiene are always in season to reduce the likelihood of gastroenteritis. Also, it’s a good time to promote water safety as people visit the pools and lakes.

HEALTH PROMOTION & OUTREACH

Chronic Disease and Minority Health

- Staff participated with the American Cancer Society, Minority Health Community Collaborative, National Council of Negro Women, Nebraska Heart Institute, Saint Elizabeth Regional Medical Center, Lincoln Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Hy-Vee, and AARP in providing the 2012 Protect Your Health Heritage event for African Americans. 75 people, primarily African Americans, attended the event,
participated in health screenings, and received information on a variety of health issues that particularly affect African Americans. The program addressed the changing outlook for African American men and women in today’s society and stressed the importance of early screening in the fight against cancer. The event was held at LLCHD on May 31st.

Staff participated in the taping of a show for City TV Channel 10 Health that focuses on the Health Disparities Project (Minority Health Community Collaborative) and partners. The show began airing in June.

Early Development Services Coordination

- The Early Development Network now has a state-wide app called Staying on Track that is easily downloaded to any IPAD or smart phone. The app was designed for providers and school staff to assist families to find information on child development, safety tips, choosing childcare, preparing for Kindergarten and several other resources including the Early Development Network and how we can provide family support. The app can be downloaded to any smart phone and can be accessed through the EDN state web site.

Injury Prevention

- Staff and Safe Kids Sports Safety Task Force conducted a sports safety clinic at the Youth Sports Office of the YMCA in Fallbrook. 60 coaches were educated by Lori Terryberry-Spohr, Ph.D., ABPP and Dave Schultz, NSATA Athletic Trainer. Topics presented included concussion signs, symptoms and treatment, the Nebraska Concussion Awareness Act law slated to start July 1, and hydration and heat illness. All participants received a clip board with Heads Up Concussion in Youth Sports signs and symptoms affixed to the back and a Safe Kids water bottle.

- Staff coordinated a car seat check for the Asian Community and Cultural Center. Of the 31 seats checked, 10 were found to be improperly installed or used and 15 children arrived with no car seats. 25 car seats were provided to families with children arriving without seats or to replace recalled or otherwise unsafe seats. Funding for this event was provided by the NE Department of Health and Human Services, and the Nebraska Office of Highway Safety.

Lincoln on the Move

- Lincoln currently is ranked as the top bicycling community in the country in the National Bike Challenge sponsored by the League of American Bicyclists and Kimberly-Clark Corporation. With 658 communities participating, Lincoln has recorded more miles per resident for the month of June than any other community in the competition. During the month of June, Nebraska is rated as the third best state slightly behind Wisconsin in second and trailing Vermont in first. In the overall standings since the promotion began on May 1, Lincoln is third nationally behind Madison, WI in second and Burlington, VT in first. Nebraska has maintained third place among the states since the contest began. Lincoln has almost 800 riders registered and about 58% of them are
actively recording miles, a much higher rate than any other community in the promotion. Lincoln has several individuals, teams, and workplaces rated high in the national competition, including UNL as the 11th best workplace in the nation out of 8,618 workplaces. LLCHD is 325th out of the 8,618 workplaces.

- The Summer Food Program kicked off on Wednesday, May 30 and will continue through Friday, August 10. Seventeen sites opened on the first day. It is expected that 29 sites will be in operation at some time during the summer. Through the first 8 days, there were 13,546 meals served, an increase of almost 550 meals over the same period of time in 2011.

- Staff presented information on bicycle and pedestrian safety at the 4th annual Biketacular event on May 19. Over 300 children took the bike safety quiz and 82 helmets were sold at the BryanLGH Kids Health Fair on June 9.

INFORMATION & FISCAL MANAGEMENT

- The 2012 HIPAA Risk Analysis has been completed. The City HIPAA Risk Analysis and Management Team will meet Friday, June 29th to approve the final report and recommendations. The Division Manager will provide an update to the Board of Health in August or September. One of the goals of this initial assessment and analysis was to create an efficient process for conducting a bi-annual risk assessment. This will be tested this winter as the Fire Department conducts their Risk Analysis.

- The Fiscal Supervisor & Division Manager have reviewed year end projections to identify any actions needed to assure all necessary expenditures are completed and that revenue is sufficient to cover all expenses.
NOTICE: The Lincoln/Lancaster County Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, July 11, 2012, at 1:00 p.m., in Hearing Room 112 on the first floor of the County-City Building, 555 S. 10th St., Lincoln, Nebraska, on the following items. For more information, call the Planning Department, (402) 441-7491.

The Lincoln/Lancaster County Planning Commission will meet on Wednesday, July 11, 2012, from 11:45 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. in Conference Room 113 of the County-City Building, 555 S. 10th St., Lincoln, Nebraska, for a briefing by Urban Development staff on the Holdrege/Idylwild Redevelopment Plan.

The Lincoln/Lancaster County Planning Commission will meet on Wednesday, July 11, 2012, from 12:15 p.m. - 12:45 p.m. in Conference Room 113 of the County-City Building, 555 S. 10th St., Lincoln, Nebraska, for a briefing by Urban Development staff on the Gateway Senior Living Redevelopment Plan.

**PLEASE NOTE: The Planning Commission action is final action on any item with a notation of “FINAL ACTION”. Any aggrieved person may appeal Final Action of the Planning Commission to the City Council or County Board by filing a Notice of Appeal with the City Clerk or County Clerk within 14 days following the action of the Planning Commission.

The Planning Commission action on all other items is a recommendation to the City Council or County Board.

AGENDA

WEDNESDAY, JULY 11, 2012

[Commissioner Weber absent]

Approval of minutes of the regular meeting held June 27, 2012. **APPROVED, 8-0 (Weber absent)**
1. **CONSENT AGENDA:**
   (Public Hearing and Administrative Action)

**COMPREHENSIVE PLAN:**

1.1 Comprehensive Plan Conformance No. 12008, to review the proposed declaration of surplus property as to conformance with the 2040 Lincoln/Lancaster County Comprehensive Plan, generally located at S. 21st Street and O Street, S. Antelope Valley Parkway and M Street, and Capitol Parkway and J Street.

   **Staff recommendation:** Conformance with the Comprehensive Plan
   Staff Planner: Brandon Garrett, 402-441-6373, bgarrett@lincoln.ne.gov
   Removed from Consent Agenda and had separate public hearing.
   Planning Commission recommendation: A FINDING OF CONFORMANCE WITH THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, 8-0 (Weber absent).
   Public Hearing before City Council tentatively scheduled for Monday, July 30, 2012, 5:30 p.m.

**PERMITS:**

1.2 Special Permit No. 11015A, an amendment to an existing special permit for Historic Preservation, by converting the use from a church to a duplex, on property generally located at South 40th Street & Randolph Street (3935 Randolph Street).

   *** FINAL ACTION ***
   **Staff recommendation:** Conditional Approval
   Staff Planner: Ed Zimmer, 402-441-6360, ezimmer@lincoln.ne.gov
   Planning Commission recommendation: CONDITIONAL APPROVAL, as set forth in the staff report dated June 29, 2012, 8-0 (Weber absent).
   Public Hearing before City Council tentatively scheduled for Monday, July 30, 2012, 5:30 p.m.

1.3 Special Permit No. 12027, for the authority to sell alcoholic beverages on and off the premises, on property generally located at Magnum Circle and S. Coddington Avenue.

   *** FINAL ACTION ***
   **Staff recommendation:** Conditional Approval
   Staff Planner: Brian Will, 402-441-6362, bwill@lincoln.ne.gov
   Planning Commission ‘final action’: CONDITIONAL APPROVAL, as set forth in the staff report dated June 27, 2012, 8-0 (Weber absent).
   Resolution No. PC-01296.
2. **REQUESTS FOR DEFERRAL:**

2.1 Change of Zone No. 05012A, Wood Bridge Planned Unit Development, to amend the existing Planned Unit Development District to allow an increase in floor area for mini-storage from approximately 58,200 square feet to 84,000 square feet, on property generally located at Pine Lake Road and Helen Witt Drive.

Staff recommendation: Applicant has requested to defer public hearing until July 25, 2012

Staff Planner: Christy Eichorn, 402-441-7603, ceichorn@lincoln.ne.gov

Applicant’s request for two-week deferral granted, with CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING AND ACTION scheduled for Wednesday, July 25, 2012, 1:00 p.m.

3. **ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA:** (See #1.1 above)

4. **PUBLIC HEARING AND ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION:**

**CHANGE OF ZONE:**

4.1 Change of Zone No. 05061A, an amendment to the Southwest Village Planned Unit Development, to amend the site plan to show a horse race course, simulcast facility, barns and accessory buildings to the southwest of 1st Street and West Denton Road; to allow all B-2 zoning district conditional and special permitted uses as permitted uses; and to waive the requirement for 1st Street to be paved prior to the race course construction, on property generally located at Highway 77 and West Denton Road.

Staff recommendation: Conditional Approval

Staff Planner: Christy Eichorn, 402-441-7603, ceichorn@lincoln.ne.gov

Had public hearing.

Planning Commission recommendation: CONDITIONAL APPROVAL, as set forth in the staff report dated June 28, 2012, with amendment to Condition #2.9 as requested by the applicant and agreed upon by staff, 8-0 (Weber absent).

Public Hearing before the City Council will be scheduled when an associated amendment to the Southwest Village annexation agreement pursuant to Condition #1 is completed and scheduled.
4.2  Change of Zone No. 12017, from R-2 Residential District to O-2 Suburban Office District, on property generally located at N. 66th Street and Vine Street.

Staff recommendation: Approval, subject to a conditional zoning agreement
Staff Planner: Tom Cajka, 402-441-5662, tcajka@lincoln.ne.gov
Had public hearing.
Planning Commission recommendation: DENIAL, 5-3 (Butcher, Francis, Gaylor Baird, Hove and Esseks voting ‘yes’; Sunderman, Lust and Cornelius voting ‘no’; Weber absent.
Public Hearing before the City Council will be scheduled when the conditional zoning agreement recommended in the staff report, as amended by memo dated July 11, 2012, is completed and scheduled.

4.3  Change of Zone No. 12019, for a reduction in the Building Line District from 125’ to approximately 108’, on property generally located at First Street and Highway 2, Cheney.

Staff recommendation: Approval
Staff Planner: Brian Will, 402-441-6362, bwill@lincoln.ne.gov
Had public hearing.
Planning Commission recommendation: APPROVAL, 6-0 (Lust, Hove and Weber absent).
Public Hearing before the City Council tentatively scheduled for Monday, July 30, 2012, 5:30 p.m.

MISCELLANEOUS:

4.4  Miscellaneous No. 12007, to review the proposed determination that the Gateway Senior Living Redevelopment Area as set forth in the “Gateway Senior Living Redevelopment Area Blight & Substandard Determination Study” be declared a blighted and substandard area as defined in the Nebraska Community Development Law. The study area consists of an estimated 11 acres, more or less, comprised of one duplex, garages, and one structure with 56 assisted living units. The Redevelopment Area is generally bounded by O Street on the south, North 56th Street on the east, R Street on the north and North 52nd Street on the west in Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska.

Staff recommendation: Finding that there is a reasonable presence of blighted and substandard conditions
Staff Planner: Brandon Garrett, 402-441-6373, bgarrett@lincoln.ne.gov
Had Public Hearing.
Planning Commission recommendation: A FINDING THAT THERE IS A REASONABLE PRESENCE OF BLIGHTED AND SUBSTANDARD CONDITIONS, 6-0 (Lust, Hove and Weber absent).
Public Hearing before the City Council is tentatively scheduled for Monday, August 6, 2012, 2:30 p.m.
AT THIS TIME, ANYONE WISHING TO SPEAK ON AN ITEM
NOT ON THE AGENDA, MAY DO SO

PENDING LIST: None

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The Planning Commission meeting
which is broadcast live at 1:00 p.m. every other Wednesday
will be rebroadcast on Sundays at 1:00 p.m. on 5 City TV, Cable Channel 5.

The Planning Commission agenda may be accessed on the Internet at
http://www.lincoln.ne.gov/city/plan/pcagenda/index.htm
MEMORANDUM

TO: City Clerk
FROM: Jean Preister, Planning Department
SUBJECT: Administrative Approvals
DATE: July 10, 2012
cc: Teresa McKinstry

This is a list of the Administrative Approvals by the Planning Director from July 3, 2012 through July 9, 2012:

Administrative Amendment No. 12032 to Wilderness Woods Use Permit No. 126C, approved by the Planning Director on July 9, 2012, requested by The Villas at Wilderness Ridge, to reduce the front yard setback from 20 feet to 18 feet along Executive Woods Drive for a span of 20 feet, generally located at Executive Woods Drive and Pine Lake Road.
Mary M. Meyer

From: Doug Emery
Sent: Tuesday, July 10, 2012 11:53 AM
To: M. Roxann Hamilton
Cc: Mary M. Meyer
Subject: RE: Please Respond to My Concern

Ms Hamilton,

The fee will not be in discussion until the billing goes out. As with ambulance service, no one will be denied AND the question will not be asked until well after the fact. This will be a matter to be settled between billing and insurance companies. If you have budget saving ideas please feel free to call me at 540-3805 or at dougemerypm@aol.com

Thanks

Doug Emery

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From: M. Roxann Hamilton [roxannhamilton@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, July 10, 2012 3:25 AM
To: Jon Camp; Jonathan A. Cook; Doug Emery; Eugene W. Carroll; Adam A. Hornung; Carl B. Eskridge; DiAnna R. Schimek
Cc: roxann hamilton
Subject: Please Respond to My Concern

Roxann Hamilton

3205 Portia #2A

Lincoln NE 68521

402-742-6573

July 9, 2012

Dear Council Person:

I read in Lincoln Journal Star and heard on Channel 8 News about a decision you have made to increase revenues to the city. It scares me tremendously, and I would like clarification about it. I would also like you to change your mind and abandon this idea.

It seems that the city will now be billing for the Jaws of Life use to save a person’s life in a car accident, or other reason a person would need extrication from a vehicle.

What are you thinking? What happens to people who can’t pay the fee? I know I couldn’t. Neither could my adult daughter to save herself or my grand daughter. Both of our families are disabled and indigent. I am also elderly. Neither of us can barely afford to survive on Social Security benefits.

Will the fire fighters just not get people out of a wreck? Will they dawdle and delay rescuing people while they determine if the accident victims can pay the bill? If all parties in the wreck require extrication via Jaws of Life and are unrelated, who pays? Or do all parties in the vehicle pay? Does Medicare or Medicaid pay? Does our auto insurance pay? Does the insurance of the party that caused the accident pay? What if that other party has no insurance?
What if a tree falls on a car resulting from a random “act of god”? Or a telephone pole? Would the city then be liable to pay for the Jaws of Life use as the accident stemmed from city property?

My daughter and her daughter were broadsided by a truck that ran a stop sign in a 50 mph area on North 84th a few years ago. Both my girls were badly hurt and hospitalized with internal injuries and many broken bones. The fire fighters saved their lives by getting them to the hospital fast. Will the fire fighters do that in the future?

I have never been in a car wreck (not even a fender bender!) in my entire life. I have been driving since 1965. I was even a professional driver for over 350,000 miles all over the USA and Canada, with never an accident. Lucky? Perhaps, but I like to think it is because I drive by the rules and never take risks.

If people can’t pay the fee for Jaws of Life, and the city must pay to litigate to get a judgment in court for the fee, then pay for a Collection agent to attempt to recover the judgment: won’t that be more expensive to the city in the long run?

Will people get flagged for non-payment of the fee in the system and fire fighters then refuse to help people hurt and maybe dying in a wreck?

I don’t foresee a car wreck in my future, nor another one in my daughter’s future, however, one can’t predict the things that happen in life despite the most careful control and actions.

Please help me understand why you have chosen this fee to be levied. Please choose another way to increase revenues without the potential of hurting or killing a person.

I have some ideas that could possibly work that are incredibly simple.

Thank you for your time.

With Highest Regard,
Roxann Hamilton, M.Ed., COLTC, CSIS, CPSWS, CWRAPF
As the first and only restaurant owner (thus far) in Nebraska to receive a national award for Bicycle friendly Business. I would like to share something with you.

On June 19th of 2012. A meeting was held about proposed bicycle lanes. There were bicyclist for, and against. One such biker was throwing around the fact that he was a certified trainer through the American League of Bicyclists, and was against the bike lane. I was a bit confused, and wondered if that is how the League really felt about bike lanes. I sent them an email. This was their response:

Hi Pepe,

You may certainly tell your city council that the League supports the NACTO Urban Bikeway Design guide, which includes guidance on protected bike lanes. Well-designed protected facilities make bicycling more comfortable for more people. We have been gathering information on which of the largest 100 cities currently have protected bike lanes. We’ve not yet finished, but so far Los Angeles, Indianapolis, Chicago, Omaha (13 miles), Philadelphia, San Jose, Tucson, New Orleans, Colorado Springs, Baltimore, Phoenix, Cincinnati, and Memphis have reported putting down at least some protected bike lanes.

I hope that helps,

Darren Flusche, Policy Director

League of American Bicyclists, 1612 K St. NW, Suite 510
Washington, DC 20006, Phone: 202-621-5456, Fax: 202-822-1334, darren@bikeleague.org

That being said. As a business owner in Havelock. Bicyclist are always asking me what trails, or lanes lead to my Bistro. My point? Apart from less emission, community builder, making people healthier. A well developed protected bike lane will stimulate the businesses which it is put in.

Thank You for reading this.

Pepe Fierro, Small business owner, and Bicycle advocate.
Hello, I regularly bike the streets of Lincoln, including commuting to work 5 miles. I wanted to express my support for the protected bike lanes as part of the Downtown Master Plan. I realize that there are some cyclists who have questioned the value of these lanes, but I find their position rather extreme. I always find that the greatest danger bicycling downtown is not the possible collision at intersections, but people in parked cars opening their door suddenly in front of an oncoming cyclist. The protected lanes will help avoid this situation. Many, many of the best biking towns have such lanes. Lincoln should too.

-Tom Lynch
4119 Sheridan Blvd.
Lincoln, NE
Dear Mayor Beutler and Members of the City Council:

First, thank you all for your service to our wonderful and ever-improving city.

In the nearly 15 years I have claimed Lincoln as my home, I have increasingly found there is much to be proud of when we talk about Lincoln. We may not have the mountains of Colorado or the Lakes of Minnesota, but we have a unique kind of verve that thrives here. Diverse neighborhood attractions from Havelock to the Haymarket and every pocket of joy in between, unite our city. For the most part, there seems to be a devotion to healthy and happy living. We can celebrate how diverse each area is and the even more essential piece: getting out and enjoying our neighbors by exploring their offerings. Yet, at the heart of our city is our downtown area. An area that seems to be undergoing a Renaissance -- which is HUGELY exciting!

Our trail system is indisputably amazing, yet there's room for improvement. It sets the tone for a healthier community -- and not just physically. We have a keen opportunity to continue the momentum. Establishing a dedicated safe bike lane promotes physical health as well as healthier community involvement. What we lack is the key connection between neighborhoods and thriving entertainment areas of our city. The proposed N Street protected bike lanes would be a fantastic start to closing that loop.

I have fallen in love with Lincoln in great part due to the trail system and because of the unique delight it incites. I have found that I explore and experience the city in a completely different--and endearing--way on my bike. I firmly believe the proposed protected bike lanes on N Street would encourage others to do the same.

While I feel confident on my bike, I believe a protected lane makes perfect sense. As an employee of Lincoln Children's Museum, I see more and more families who bike together to come to the Museum to attend Music & Mozzarella concerts or simply a fun day of discovery. How wonderful would it be if EVEN MORE parents did this? I often wonder if the safety factor is what prevents other parents from enjoying a ride with their children. The connection, discussion and memory-making opportunities family/group bike rides create further support the idea of healthy families and community.

Thank you again for your service and your consideration,

Michaella

P.S. I was thrilled to see signs on the trails asking "Where's Your Helmet?" posted by Lincoln Parks & Recreation and I'd be ecstatic to see you, our city's leaders take the next major step and support the protected lanes.

Michaella J. Kumke
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## InterLinc: City Council Feedback for General Council

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**Comment or Question:**
"A tale of Two Cities"--Omaha World Herald

North Omaha neighbors happy to have incoming Walmart

By Leia Mendoz / World-Herald staff writer

You've heard the standard complaints when a new Walmart is coming to a neighborhood: No to the heavy traffic, lights and noise from the around-the-clock operation.

But you aren't hearing that in north Omaha.

The retail giant is planning to build a new Supercenter at 50th Street and Ames Avenue on the site of a former Baker's store. The store will have a grocery department with fresh produce, meat and dairy, a bakery and deli, apparel, household items, electronics, a pharmacy and an outdoor garden center.

"The closest thing in the neighborhood was Target on Saddle Creek Road, and when that moved to Crossroads (in 2006), that left a void in the community," said Bobbie A. Davis, who lives a few blocks from the proposed Walmart. "It's going to have an economic impact, especially with the jobs it will bring."

Davis said she's eager to have quick access to groceries and other products.

After a recent neighborhood meeting involving area residents and city and Walmart officials, meeting organizer Terrie Jackson Miller concluded: "A lot of people in the neighborhood are really excited about it."

"There are some retail stores in the north Omaha community, but we need a larger variety," said Miller, executive director of the North Omaha Neighborhood Alliance.
"Walmart is a one-stop shop. You can get everything there from baby clothes and underwear to printer cartridges and groceries."

That excitement is a contrast to what Walmart officials often hear.

In Lincoln, hundreds of people gathered recently to oppose having Walmart as a neighbor. The company plans to start construction on a Supercenter at 27th Street and Grainger Parkway in Lincoln this fall, with an opening planned in 2013. Neighbors expressed worries about the store bringing traffic, crime and pollution in their quiet, upscale neighborhood.

Omaha neighbors also opposed the Walmart Supercenter at 72nd and Pine Streets before it opened in 2008. They were concerned about the night hours, traffic and noise.

But in north Omaha, Ronald Jefferson is hoping a new Walmart does bring more traffic and commercial action. "Walmart is going to bring a lot of opportunities to north Omaha, and many other businesses will locate there. It's a great opportunity."

Jefferson said he hopes Walmart will consider local contractors for the construction of the new facility. At least a handful of area residents at the meeting pressed for a commitment from Walmart to hire from the neighborhood.

Jim Canney, regional general manager for Walmart stores in Omaha, said he could make no promises but said the company would do its best to engage the north Omaha community in the entire process, including the construction and hiring of about 500 store employees.

When the store was announced, Canney said, "We look forward to providing job opportunities and career choices, from seniors looking for supplemental income to young people wanting to gain work experience to associates looking to build a career."

Officials from the City of Omaha and Walmart said the retailer has a track record of choosing local contractors for construction. For example, local businesses were involved in the construction of the store at 72nd and Pine.

Omaha City Councilman Ben Gray, whose district includes the site, agreed that the new store would spur other development, telling people at the neighborhood meeting that the new store already has sparked interest from other businesses and could potentially mean more work for local contractors and longer-term employees.

Construction of the $30 million Supercenter in north Omaha is expected to begin in 2013 with completion in March or April of 2014. Demolition of the former Baker's Supermarket could begin this year, pending approval of the building plan by city officials. Baker's, the main retailer in the 50th and Ames area, closed in November 2004 when a new Baker's opened at 72nd and Ames. Super Saver opened a store at the site in February 2005 but closed it about a year later, citing low profits.

Area residents are praising Walmart for the new, 178,000-square-foot facility's design plans.
The site plans call for improving 50th street from Ames Avenue to just south of Grand Avenue.

The traffic signal at 50th and Ames will be replaced with new signals just to the west, where the main store driveway meets Ames.

Larry Jobeun, an attorney representing Walmart, said the intersection at 50th and Ames is not a high traffic intersection, and moving the traffic signal to the main entrance will help circulation and lessen the volume on 50th Street.

The design also calls for providing direct pedestrian access, with stairs between the sidewalk along 50th street and the front entrance of the store.

Jobeun said city rules require shopping centers to have pedestrian access, but the Ames store pedestrian access will be especially beneficial for residents who have little or no transportation.

Davis said the design will make it easier for people to get to their jobs as well as for shopping. "It makes it possible especially for people without a lot of transportation to have services available to them within walking distance."

One area resident said she was going to be particularly happy to be able to buy her children's back-to-school shoes without leaving the neighborhood. Another said she's excited she won't have to drive for miles to the Walmart near 99th Street and Military Road or to the one in Council Bluffs just to see a variety of products.

Jobeun said it's been great to have "full support" from the north Omaha community.

"I think it's fairly obvious that north Omaha is very under-served from a retail standpoint," he said. "This will allow residents to buy shoes and groceries in one place, and it's good for the entire area. We are taking a vacant building (site) and putting it back into use."

Davis said it's a win-win situation for everyone.

"In order to spend, people need to have jobs," she said. "There's a great need for employment in this area, and Walmart will help fulfill that need."

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Please eliminate the position of Director of Sustainability from the budget.

I have heard Milo speak on two different occasions. I've also researched sustainability, ICLEI and understand it is the implementation arm of United Nations Agenda 21. My conclusion is that we don't have the money for such a low priority position as Director of Sustainability particularly if we have an unfunded pension liability.

If the Mayor wants to keep Milo give him another job and eliminated the position.

Thanks
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TO: City Council of Lincoln Nebraska
AII: Council Members

REF: July 16, 2012 3:00 PM Meeting
$200.00 Reimbursement Claim

I am concerned that the City Council will be relying on city attorneys in making a
decision on my Claim. However, it would be a conflict of interest for you to rely
on their interpretation, since my claim is based on the city attorneys interpretation
of the ordinance. As I will not be able to attend your meeting, it is important that
you review the following prior to your meeting or prior to making your decision:

1) Title 1 of the Lincoln Municipal Code - 1.04.104 Validity - States that “Each
section and each subdivision of a section of this code is hereby declared to be
independent of every other section....”

2) Title 5 - Licenses and Regulations - Discusses all the different types of licenses
and then under 5.58.060 Insurance Required - states “Unless otherwise provided
by applicable law, including this code or an ordinance of the city, whenever
insurance is required of a permittee under this title, such permittee shall: At all
times maintain applicable workers comp...general liability...at all times keep on
file a current certificate of insurance...naming the city as an additional insured.
WE HAVE NOT OBTAINED A CITY LICENSE BUT RATHER A STATE
LICENSE. Then 5.58.070 - Authority to Deny Issuance of Permits - says “the
City may deny an application for a permit...the applicant has failed to obtain
required insurance”. AGAIN, WE NEVER APPLIED FOR A LICENSE OR
PERMIT UNDER TITLE 5, such as a liquor license, dry cleaner license, motel
license, skating rink license, taxicab, and others listed under Title 5. Also,
5.58.010 says the City Clerk to issue permits under Title 5.

3) Title 14 - Public Property and Public Ways - Chapter 14.70 Excavations,
specifically 14.70010, requires those working in the right of way or other
public space of the City to obtain a permit. Then 14.70.020, states the applicant
shall be required to list the City as additional insured. THIS DOES NOT
APPLY TO US BECAUSE WE ARE NOT WORKING IN A PUBLIC SPACE.
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4) Title 19 - 19.03.100 (105.6.1) Permit Required - says “A permit shall be obtained from the bureau of fire prevention”. This does not state the permit is required from the City Clerk as noted in Title 5.

5) Title 19 - 19.03.100 (105.6.3) Expiration - says “Every permit issued by the bureau of fire prevention...”

6) Title 19 - 19.03.250 Severability - states “The unconstitutionality of any part or parts of this chapter shall not affect the other parts. If for any reasons any section or part or parts of any section or sections of this chapter are declared unconstitutional or beyond the power of the city to enact, such facts shall not affect or impair in any way other provisions of this chapter, but such other provisions shall be in full force and effect.

7) 2.12.110 Issuance and Renewal of License - states “The City Clerk shall issue the licenses and permits required by the ordinances of the city, except where otherwise provided by any other provision...” IT IS CLEAR HERE THAT IT IS NOT THE CITY BUT RATHER FIRE PREVENTION THAT ISSUES TITLE 9 PERMITS.

Under Title 1, Validity, it states that each section is declared to be independent. The Bureau of Fire Prevention retains the authority to issue permits for underground tank work and does not specify insurance requirements on their form or in code, as the State of Nebraska has reserved its power to regulate the “license and insurance requirements” for underground tank removal work. It is important to note that Title 5 and Title 14 clearly speaks of Insurance Required, when Title 19 does not (because the State reserved the right to handle license and insurance requirements uniformly across the state). I request the City Council to respond in their decision to the following:

1) Whether it is beyond the power of the city to enact the insurance requirement under the permit issued by the Bureau of Fire Prevention, as it clearly is separately titled from the permits issued by the city clerk and therefore independent, as noted in Title 1 - Validity.

2) The City attorneys have admitted to incorrectly attempting to enforce a bond from excavating contractors when they are not working in the right of way and whether the employees will be properly trained in the difference between private and public property regarding the bond.
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3) Why the ordinances is not specific the City is to be listed as additional insured on a CG 20 12 form.
4) The director of the Department of Insurance in Lincoln confirmed to me, and I believe to Mr. Connolly, that certificates of insurance and additional insured are between owners and their contractors.
5) The City was not a party to our private contract and should not be able to force me to change my insurance policy through the permit process on private property according to the Department of Insurance Bulletin CB-118.
6) Whether there is any truth to the assistant city attorney Christopher Connolly’s statement that the City can do whatever they want unless there is a law that prohibits it.
7) If all correspondence or exactly what documents were forwarded by Mr. Connolly to the City Council regarding my Claim.
8) Provide copies of the city attorneys proof that the CG 20 12 form is required for permits issued by the Bureau of Fire Prevention.
10) Whether the city attorneys are mixing the wording specified under Title 5 and Title 14, and applying it to Title 19 where insurance is not mentioned in Title 19.
11) Whether the attorneys are requiring the CG 20 12 insurance form when it is not in the code and when Title 5 and Title 14 are for businesses open to the public and for contractors working in the public right of way.

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MORRIS EXCAVATING CO., INC.

Jane Morris
I've never done this before but here it goes! I don't see that cutting 2 police officers from a force that is ranking right up there with a city the size of Omaha (& with twice the crime) is that terrible. If it keeps me & how many other thousands of people from gettn our taxes uped again than i'm for it! Seems 2 me that all they do is sit out in front of bars anyway & wait for dui's & than collect time & half sittn on their day off in court. Thanks Mayor Beutler for finding ways 2 balance our budget without over taxing all the little people.

Sent via my Samsung Transform Ultra from Boost Mobile
DIRECTORS’ AGENDA
ADDENDUM
MONDAY, JULY 16, 2012

I. CITY CLERK

II. MAYOR & DIRECTORS CORRESPONDENCE

MAYOR
1. NEWS RELEASE. Mayor Beutler’s public schedule for the week of July 14th through July 20, 2012.

WEST HAYMARKET JOINT PUBLIC AGENCY
1. The West Haymarket Joint Public Agency will meet on Friday, July 20, 2012, 1:00 p.m., in City Council Chambers. Agenda and documents post on line.

III. DIRECTORS

FINANCE DEPARTMENT
1. Audit Advisory Board’s response on the final Audit Report from BKD regarding the Engineering Revolving Fund. Also copy of the final audit report from BKD and the auditee’s response.

PLANNING COMMISSION

PLANNING DEPARTMENT

IV. COUNCIL MEMBERS

V. CORRESPONDENCE FROM CITIZENS
1. Russell Miller, Lincoln Neighborhood Alliance, with suggestion on supporting the Community Learning Centers.
2. LES Administrative Board meeting agenda for Friday, July 20, 2012. Support materials can be found at www.les.com.
3. Media Release. Community Health Endowment announces funding availability
Date: July 13, 2012
Contact: David Norris, Citizen Information Center, 402-441-7547

Mayor Beutler’s Public Schedule
Week of July 14 through July 20, 2012
Schedule subject to change

Saturday, July 14
• Norbert Tiemann memorial service - 2 p.m., First Lutheran Church, 1551 S. 70th St.

Monday, July 16
• Mayor’s Award of Excellence - 3 p.m., Council Chambers, County-City Building, 555 S. 10th St.

Tuesday, July 17
• KLIN - 8:10 a.m.

Thursday, July 19
• KFOR - 7:45 a.m.
• News conference - 10 a.m., topic and location to be announced

Friday, July 20
• West Haymarket Joint Public Agency (JPA) public meeting - 1 p.m., Council Chambers
The West Haymarket Joint Public Agency will meet on Friday, July 20, 2012 at 1:00 P.M. in the City Council Chambers Room 112.

The agenda and documents are now posted at http://lincoln.ne.gov/city/finance/account/jpa-mtgs.htm
Recommendations of Audit Advisory Board

On June 27, 2012, the Audit Advisory Board met and reviewed the Agreed-Upon Procedures Report regarding the Engineering Revolving Fund from BKD. The Report did not note any exceptions and made two minor recommendations.

The scope of this audit/engagement with BKD, was limited to the provision of a Report and a Finding of Agreed-Upon Procedures regarding the Engineering Revolving Fund. After reviewing this Report, the Board makes the following findings regarding those items found in L.M.C. Section 4.66.040 (d) (1) (ii) and (iv):

1) Engineering Revolving Fund revenues earned from billable hours are recorded accurately in the general ledger and reconcile to the job cost system; the calculation of the overhead rate is accurate and includes proper operational costs.

2) Engineering Revolving Fund internal controls over Cost Accounting procedures, billing procedures, systems for tracking and allocating direct labor costs, and systems for allocating indirect labor costs to appropriate indirect labor categories, are adequate.

This Board did not make findings regarding those items found in L.M.C. Section 4.66.040 (d) (1) (i) and (iii) as those items were not addressed by the scope of this engagement.

As required by L.M.C. Section 4.66.040 (d) (2) a copy of the final audit report is attached. Also attached is the auditee response.

Because of the scope of this engagement this Board did not create a separate listing of any irregularities or failures to comply with legal or administrative policies as required by L.M.C. Section 4.66.040 (d) (3).

Based upon the report from BKD and the response from management, the Board makes no recommendation.
July 11, 2012

The Members of the City of Lincoln Advisory Board
Engineering Revolving Fund
City of Lincoln, Nebraska

BKD, LLP has completed the Agreed-Upon Procedure engagement for the Engineering Revolving Fund. Below is our response to their recommendations.

Calculation of the Overhead Rate

Currently, the calculation of the overhead rate for the Engineering Revolving Fund is a detailed calculation which specifies all budgeted costs to be incurred by the Fund, by line item, with a subsequent line item adjustment based on actual results. We found no errors or discrepancies in the calculation during our application of agreed-upon procedures. However, it is our understanding that the process for obtaining and compiling the information necessary for the calculation requires a substantial amount of time on the part of management. We recommend this calculation be simplified to potentially reduce the time burden on management and mitigate the risk of error within the calculation due to its complexity. Several factors to consider when determining what revisions can be made to the calculation are, but are not limited to:

- Utilizing the net change in fund balance to determine adjustments to the overhead rate
- Evaluating what level of detail should be maintained within the calculation as support for management review and other interested parties
- Ensuring any changes to the calculation of the overhead rate conform to state and federal guidelines

Management Response: Management realizes there is a simpler manner in which to calculate the annual overhead rate. However, the detailed and more comprehensive approach is used to satisfy our federal requirements (2 CFR Part 225 – Circular A-87).

The Nebraska Department of Roads (NDOR) Controller Division – Audit Section recently reviewed the overhead rate. It was their opinion that the methodology used was acceptable and fulfilled all the federal requirements. The Nebraska Department of Federal Highway Administration also reviewed the report issued by NDOR and concurred with their opinion. (I have attached, for your review, the reports issued by the two agencies.)

In light of all the federal funds Public Works receives, we believe it is in our best interest to continue using the same process in the calculation of the overhead rate.
Management Review of Hours Utilization

An effective management oversight tool is the evaluation of employee hours charged directly to projects compared to total available employee hours. Such an evaluation provides management with a determination of the utilization of time for certain employees of the Engineering Services Division. It is our understanding this evaluation is performed periodically by management, however, this assessment is not currently being performed on a regular basis. We recommend management consider the feasibility and cost-effectiveness of performing this evaluation more frequently.

Management Response: Management informally performs this evaluation, but will consider formalizing the process.

Sincerely,

Fran Mejer
Public Works & Utilities Business Manager

Attachments

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Review Of

City of Lincoln
Public Works Department
555 South 10th Street / Suite 203
Lincoln, NE 68508-3994

State - Engineering Revolving Fund Overhead Rate Review – FY2011/2012

This report is prepared for the use of the Nebraska Department of Roads administrative officials. Final determinations establishing the official position of the Nebraska Department of Roads on the matters reported herein are made by these officials.

Date Issued: April 19, 2012

Nebraska Department of Roads
Controller Division - Audit Section
Report No. 2012-35

Approved:_____________________________________
James A. Dietsch
Highway Audit Manager
PART I - SCOPE AND OPINION

A. Scope of Review

In response to the requirements of 2 CFR Part 225 (Circular A-87) we have conducted a review of the State - Engineering Revolving Fund Overhead Rate Proposal for FY-12, submitted by the City of Lincoln, Public Works Department.

The objectives of our review were to provide reasonable assurance that the proposed rate was calculated using a method that was consistent with the applicable requirements of 2 CFR Part 225; that the costs used to calculate the proposed rate (both actual and proposed) correctly reflect expenses actually incurred by the City of Lincoln, Public Works Department, Engineering Section and that the proposed costs were consistent with the approved budget for the fiscal year for which the rate was proposed and that the cost elements used in the calculation do not contain costs deemed unallowable by the above referenced, governing requirements.

We have conducted a desk review of documents requested and supplied by the City of Lincoln, Department of Public Works that support the rate proposed.

B. Opinion Statement

It is our opinion that the methodology used by the City of Lincoln - Public Works Department in the development of the proposed State - Engineering Revolving Fund overhead rate for FY-12 (September 1, 2011 through August 31, 2012) is acceptable. However one of the cost components, the one associated with the city “Central Services” ($121,094.00), has been determined to be unallowable and cannot be included in the calculation of an acceptable State - Engineering Revolving Fund Overhead Rate. The rate proposed by the City of Lincoln / Public Works Department is 201.5%. Based on our review, a rate acceptable and consistent with the provisions of 2 CFR Part 225 is 195.7%, for a difference of 5.8%.

It is recommended that the acceptable State - Engineering Revolving Fund Overhead Rate of 195.7% be used by The City of Lincoln / Public Works Department for the remainder of the current fiscal year (FY-12).

We have no objection to the release of this report to the City of Lincoln, at the discretion of Nebraska Department of Roads administrative officials.
C. **Acceptable State - Engineering Revolving Fund Rate for FY-2011/2012**

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Mr. Anthony Dirks  
Nebraska Department of Roads  
Local Projects Division  
Lincoln, NE

Dear Mr. Dirks:

City of Lincoln Engineering Revolving Fund Overhead Rate for FY 2012

The Nebraska Division of the Federal Highway Administration has reviewed Report 2012-35 of the Nebraska Department of Roads (NDOR), Controller Division – Audit Section, dated April 19, 2012. The purpose of our review was to confirm that the NDOR recommended City of Lincoln Engineering Revolving Fund Overhead Rate for FY12 was determined in accordance with the requirements of 2 CFR 225 as it pertains to the allowability, eligibility, and allocability of costs.

The rate as currently proposed by the City of Lincoln was 201.5%. From the NDOR review, there was one adjustment needed to bring the rate into conformity with 2 CFR 225. The adjustment was:

Disallowance of the cost component from the “Central Services” allocation as this component was calculated using a predetermined rate. The impact of this adjustment would be to reduce the proposed rate by 5.8%.

Based on our review of your report, we concur with your recommended adjustment and approve the proposed engineering revolving fund overhead rate of 195.7%.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact James Lockwood at (402)742-8468.

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]

Joseph A. Werning  
Division Administrator

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The Honorable Mayor
and Members of the City Council
Engineering Revolving Fund
City of Lincoln, Nebraska

During our application of agreed-upon procedures with respect to the Engineering Revolving Fund for the period of September 1, 2009 through August 31, 2011, we observed the following matters and offer these comments and suggestions. The matters discussed herein are offered as recommendations to implement certain best practices and to enhance the financial reporting process.

Calculation of the Overhead Rate

Currently, the calculation of the overhead rate for the Engineering Revolving Fund is a detailed calculation which specifies all budgeted costs to be incurred by the Fund, by line item, with a subsequent line item adjustment based on actual results. We found no errors or discrepancies in the calculation during our application of agreed-upon procedures. However, it is our understanding that the process for obtaining and compiling the information necessary for the calculation requires a substantial amount of time on the part of management. We recommend this calculation be simplified to potentially reduce the time burden on management and mitigate the risk of error within the calculation due to its complexity. Several factors to consider when determining what revisions can be made to the calculation are, but are not limited to:

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* * * *

We appreciate the opportunity to present these comments and suggestions. We can discuss these matters further at your convenience and may provide implementation assistance for changes or improvements if you require.
This communication is intended solely for the information and use of management, the Mayor and members of the City Council and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

BKD, LLP

March 14, 2012
Independent Accountants' Report on Application of Agreed-Upon Procedures

The Honorable Mayor
and Members of the City Council
Engineering Revolving Fund
City of Lincoln, Nebraska

We have performed the procedures enumerated in the attachment to this report, which were agreed to by the management of the City of Lincoln, Nebraska solely to assist you with respect to accounting procedures for the Engineering Revolving Fund for the period of September 1, 2009 through August 31, 2011. The management of the City of Lincoln, Nebraska is responsible for the proper recording of transactions and for financial statement elements and accounts of the Engineering Revolving Fund. This agreed-upon procedures engagement was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. The sufficiency of the procedures is solely the responsibility of the parties specified in this report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described in the attachment to this report for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

There were no exceptions noted in the procedures we performed.

We were not engaged to, and did not, conduct an examination, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on the specified financial statement elements and accounts described above. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the specified parties identified above and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

BKD, LLP

March 14, 2012
City of Lincoln, Nebraska
Agreed Upon Procedures – Engineering Revolving Fund

Time Period for all Testing: September 1, 2009 – August 31, 2011

1. Examine and test internal control structure for the following elements:
   - Cost accounting practices and procedures
   - Billing procedures and controls
   - Systems for tracking and allocating direct labor costs
   - Systems for allocating indirect labor costs to appropriate indirect labor categories

2. Track 25 labor samples from employees time records to:
   - The payroll records to assure hours recorded are paid
   - The cost system to assure hours are posted properly to jobs
   - The general ledger to assure the total posted is recorded in the financial accounting system

3. Verify the revenue earned from billable hours is recorded accurately in the general ledger and reconciles to the job cost system. A test of three is required.

4. Verify the accuracy of the calculation of the overhead rate.

5. Verify if costs included in the overhead rate are operational costs incurred by the Fund and are properly included.
TO : Mayor Chris Beutler  
Lincoln City Council

FROM : Jean Preister, Planning

DATE : July 12, 2012

RE : Notice of final action by Planning Commission: July 11, 2012

Please be advised that on July 11, 2012, the Lincoln City-Lancaster County Planning Commission adopted the following resolution:

Resolution No. PC-01296, approving Special Permit No. 12027, with conditions, requested by Magnum Properties, for authority to sell alcoholic beverages for consumption on and off the premises, on property located at 2100 Magnum Circle.

This is final action unless appealed to the City Council by filing a notice of appeal with the City Clerk within 14 days of the action by the Planning Commission.

The Planning Commission Resolution may be accessed on the internet at www.lincoln.ne.gov (Keyword = PATS). Use the “Search Selection” screen and search by application number (i.e. SP12027). The Resolution and Planning Department staff report are in the “Related Documents” under the application number.
The City of Lincoln Historic Preservation Commission will hold a public meeting on Thursday, **July 19, 2012**. The meeting will convene at **1:30 p.m.** in **Room 214, 2nd floor**, County-City Building, 555 S. 10th Street, Lincoln, Nebraska, to consider the following agenda. For more information, contact the Planning Department at (402) 441-7491.

**July 19, 2012**

1. Approval of HPC meeting record of July 9, 2012.

2. Opportunity for persons with limited time or with an item not appearing on the agenda to address the Commission.

**DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATION**


4. Amendment to 2012/13 Certified Local Gov’t work plan (HP Fund).

5. Misc.

6. Staff Report.


For further information on Historic Preservation in Lincoln, visit [http://www.lincoln.ne.gov/city/plan/hist/index.htm](http://www.lincoln.ne.gov/city/plan/hist/index.htm)
13 July 2012

To : Lincoln City Council
Copy to : Lincoln Mayor

Dear Council Members,

It seems to be widely accepted that Community Learning Centers have great value to the students, neighborhoods and Lincoln’s tax paying society in general. The problem is how to continue funding this worthwhile program. It has been suggested to have an election to raise Lincoln’s sales tax and use part of that money for the CLC’s.

An alternative to that could be to remember that last year’s budget included the ingenious plan of having Lincoln Electric System customers pay for the lighting of Lincoln’s streets. That allowed the City to shift 5.8 million dollars formerly used for street lighting to other City needs. (LES called it ‘return on equity’ fee) Our understanding is those needs were approximately 4 million to street rehab and approximately 1 million to other projects. LNA proposes that another 1 million be taken from street rehab for CLC’s program.

LNA recognizes that good streets are important but LNA also believes that it is even more important to have the educated students the CLC’s produce because they will become Lincoln’s skilled workforce.

Thank you,
Russell Miller
for Lincoln Neighborhood Alliance
AGENDA
LES ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD
Friday, July 20, 2012 – 9:30 A.M.
LES Board Room
1040 “O” Street

9:30 A.M.
1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Minutes of the June 15, 2012 Regular Meeting of the
LES Administrative Board
3. Comments from Customers
4. Committee Reports
   A. Operations & Power Supply Committee
   B. Finance & Audit Committee
   C. Personnel & Organization Committee
      *1. Amend LES Policy No. 301 Compensation –
         LES Resolution 2012-12
   D. Budget & Rates Committee
   E. American Public Power Association (APPA) National
      Conference Report
5. Administrator & CEO Reports
   A. 2nd Quarter 2012 Financial Review and Forecast
   B. Long Term Financing Update
   C. Enterprise Risk Management Program
   D. 2011 Health Insurance Review
   E. Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) Case Update
6. Chief Operating Officer’s Reports
   A. 2012 Second Quarter Indicators
   B. Long Range Forecast
   C. Quarterly Power Supply Update
   D. Transmission Projects Update
   E. Reliability Compliance Update
7. Other Business
   A. Monthly Financial and Power Supply Reports
   B. Miscellaneous Information
8. Adjournment

* Denotes Action Items

Next Administrative Board meeting Friday, August 17, 2012.
Media Release

To: Media
CC: Mayor's Office, Lincoln City Council
From: Lori Seibel, President & CEO, 402-436-5516
Date: July 2, 2012
Re: New Funding Opportunity

Community Health Endowment Announces Funding Availability

The Board of Trustees of the Community Health Endowment (CHE) has announced the availability of $400,000 to address the top priorities of Mobilizing for Action through Planning and Partnership (MAPP). Facilitated locally by the Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department, MAPP is a community-driven strategic planning process for improving community health. The funding priorities are:

- Chronic Disease Prevention
- Access to Care
- Unintentional Injury Prevention (including violence prevention)
- Behavioral Health (including substance abuse)

Stage I applications are now being accepted as part of an open, competitive funding process. Additional information and application materials can be found at www.chelincoln.org. The deadline to submit is August 3, 2012.

The CHE Board of Trustees also announced that further funding will be made available to the community in January, 2013. Information regarding this funding will be forthcoming in early November, 2012.

For further information, contact CHE at 402-436-5516.
Present:  Adam Hornung, Chair; Carl Eskridge, Vice Chair; DiAnna Schimek; Jonathan Cook; Jon Camp; Doug Emery; and Gene Carroll

Others:  Teresa Meier, Deputy City Clerk; and Rick Hoppe, Chief of Staff

Chair Hornung opened the meeting at 2:28 p.m. and announced the location of the Open Meetings Act.

I.  CITY CLERK
Meier outlined the formal meeting pointing out there is a Motion to Amend, No. 1 on Item 32.

Items
44 and 45, on the pending list, had request to remove from pending for Public Hearing on July 30th in conjunction with changes on 12019. Cook commented then action on August 6th.

II.  MAYOR
1. NEWS ADVISORY. Mayor Beutler and Public Works and Utilities officials will release results of the City’s 2010 Crash Study at a news conference Tuesday, July 10th, 10:00 a.m., at 555 S. 10th Street.
2. NEWS RELEASE. “O” Street, South Street to reopen.
3. NEWS RELEASE. Vehicle crashes decline as City grows.
4. NEWS RELEASE. Mayor calls for voluntary water conservation.
5. NEWS RELEASE. Public invited to open house on roundabouts. 14th and Superior roundabout to open to one-lane traffic Monday.

No comments

III.  DIRECTORS

HEALTH DEPARTMENT
1. Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department meeting minutes of June 12, 2012.

No comments

PLANNING COMMISSION

No comments

PLANNING DEPARTMENT
1. Administrative Amendment No. 12032 approved by the Planning Director on July 9, 2012.

No comments
IV. COUNCIL MEMBERS

DOUG EMERY
1. Councilman Emery’s reply to Roxann Hamilton on different fees the City is proposing.
   No comments

V. MISCELLANEOUS
None

VI. CORRESPONDENCE FROM CITIZENS
1. Pepe Fierro. Correspondence from the League of American Bicyclist. A well developed
   projected bike lane will stimulate the businesses which it is put in.
2. Tom Lynch. Support the protected bike lanes as part of the Downtown Master Plan.
3. Michaella Kumke in support of bike safety and protected bike lanes.
4. Walter Canney InterLinc correspondence, and article on differences with a Wal-Mart being built
   in their neighborhoods.
5. Wayne Smith. Eliminate the position of Director of Sustainability, a low priority position, from
   the budget.
6. Letter from Jane Morris, Morris Excavating Company, Inc., regarding their $200.00
   reimbursement claim. (Delivered to City Council, City Clerk, and City Attorney)
7. Shawn Manion agreeing with cutting two police officers from the budget.
   No comments

VII. ADJOURNMENT
Chair Hornung adjourned the meeting at 2:31 p.m.